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EMBOFF WAS REQUESTED TO COME TO MINISTRY FOREIGN AFFAIRS TO DISCUSS PROPERTY TAXES WITH OFFICER IN CHARGE OF HOUSING IN DIPLOMATIC MISSION SERVICES DIVISION. FIRST POINT RAISED WAS ASSESSMENT OF PROPERTY TAXES ON THREE HOUSES IN WASHINGTON REPORTED TO BE GOI OWNED AND OCCUPIED BY CULTRUAL ATTACHE, AIR ATTACHE AND DEFENCE ATTACHE. HE STATED INDONESIA NOT SIGNATORY PARTY TO VIENNA CONVENTION BUT IS NOW STUDYING POSSIBILITY OF SIGNING CONVENTION AND NEEDS INFORMATION WHY PROPERTY TAX IS BEING ASSESSED IN DC AREA TO INCLUDE IN STUDY. EMBOFF INFORMED THAT JAKARTA CITY GOVERNMENT CONSIDERING TAXING ALL DIPLOMATIC PROPERTY EXCEPT CHANCERY AND AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE. FOREIGN MINISTRY PREPARED TO PRESS CITY GOVERNMENT MAINTAIN RECIPROCITY BUT HAS NO OTHER GROUNDS AGAINST THIS TAXATION.

GOI SPOKESMAN REMINDED US WE HAVE A LOT MORE TO LOSE BY IMPOSITION PROPERTY TAX THAN GOI. GOI WILL CERTAINLY NOT OWN MORE THAN 5-10 HOUSES WHILE U.S. OWNS 67 UNITS IN ABOUT 44 BUILDINGS. HE ALSO RAISED QUESTION OF STATUS OF 20 FOA HOUSES BUILT BY USAID ON HOST COUNTRY CONTRIBUTED LAND WHICH CONSIDERED GOI OWNED CONSTRIBUTIONS TO AID PROGRAM.

GOI SPOKESMAN SAID THERE IS NEED FOR CONSULAR AGREEMENT SPELLING OUT RECIPROCAL DIPLOMATIC PRIVILEGES AND IMMUNITIES. HE ALSO STATED THAT STARTING 1974 PROPERTY TAX WAS IMPOSED ON INDONESIAN UNCLASSIFIED

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CONSULATE GENERAL IN SAN FRANCISCO WHICH CAUSED SOME CONCERN SEEMINGLY AT A LOWER LEVEL OF REACTION.

WE REQUEST URGENT INVESTIGATION OF THIS MATTER WITH FULL CONSIDERATION POSSIBLE DIRE FINANCIAL CONSEQUESCES FOR FBO. ADVISE SOONEST.

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